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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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N32040200WApplication Serial Number:  
09/981,402Filing Date:  
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Richards, N. D.Group Art Unit:  
2815

Invention: Semiconductor Device and Method for Its Manufacture

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	2	MINUS	25	0	\$50	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	5	0	\$200	\$ 0.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of \_\_\_\_\_ to and through \_\_\_\_\_, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

\_\_\_\_\_ one month (\$120) \_\_\_\_\_ three months (\$1020)  
\_\_\_\_\_ two months (\$450) \_\_\_\_\_ four months (\$1590)

## TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

\_\_\_\_\_ A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

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It is believed that the indicated items are timely filed. However, in the event an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Alexandria, VA 22313-145010 A. Introductory Comments

The following is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated October 19, 2005.  
The two-month Advisory Action period ends December 19, 2005.

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